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AMENDMENT

Box: Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Greetings:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2002, please amend the above-

captioned patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 22 and 24.

Please amend claims 1, 10, 15, 23 and 25 as follows:

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